

I am writing this to encourage the continuation of the Indiana Telephone Privacy standards in our state. It has been brought to my attention that your agency is contemplating enacting a federal standard of much lower protection. I have a non-published telephone number so that I am not unduly bothered by intrusive calls. Since the State of Indiana initiated their program, I have received almost none. I find it highly objectionable that I would pay for telephone service, and then be forced to listen to unsolicited calls trying to sell me something. Whenever I received one of those calls in the past, I informed the solicitor that I absolutely will not respond to a telephone sales pitch, and demand that I be added to their "no-call" list. If you truly wish to do something of service to me and my family, then please find a way to block porn and other sales e-mails to my home computer. I do not know where the notion that privacy is subservient to a commercial enterprise's solicitations came from. I suppose the next thing to come along is that I will not be allowed to go to the refrigerator when a commercial is being shown on TV! PLEASE preserve my privacy and assure me the authority to control access to the telephone I am paying for. Thank you for your attention.